

INNER LIFE OF THE BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS.

It is half-past three o'clock; and as the House, when fairly at work, in the middle of the session, meets precisely at four, it is necessary, in order to witness the entrance of "Mr. Speaker," and other formalities which are a part of the evening's proceedings of this great national council, that we take our stand in the outer or "strangers' lobby, where there are already assembled the numerous parliamentary agents, clerks, and other functionaries interested in the "private business" of the House; some to canvass members for their support of private bills—others to influence their opponents to such measures.

mind him; I'll keep him in chat." And B. starts off as if he were going home, and meeting C., of course must stop to speak to an old acquaintance. "Ah, my worthy old friend, how are you? What! the gait again?" This is enough. Get an old gentleman on the subject of his ailments, and he is quite safe for a much longer time than three minutes. While they are talking, the doorkeeper rings the bell and shouts out, "Who goes home?" and the old gentleman finds the "House is up," and, perhaps, suspects that he has been up, and, perhaps, suspects that he has been up, and, perhaps, suspects that he has been up.

me I was an Admiral; then came a letter signed by two Lords of the Admiralty to tell me I was an Admiral. I then received a letter telling me to hoist my flag, and subsequently another letter telling me to lower it, with other communications from the Accountant-General and the Admiral at Portsmouth. What ridiculous nonsense!

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